

EPD's August Police News/Reports

Date of Occurrence: August 18, 2013 @ 2220 hrs.

On 08/18/2013 @ 2220 hrs PFC John Mitchell while conducting speed enforcement in the area of DuPont Road @ S. Cleveland Avenue did observe a motor vehicle speeding. PFC Mitchell did make contact with the vehicle in the parking lot of the 101 New Road (McDonalds). PFC Mitchell made contact with the driver who was identified as Tyrone Ortiz and the front passenger who was identified as Justin Brown. During the course of the stop PFC Mitchell found that Ortiz had smoked marijuana inside the vehicle.

PFC Mitchell was assisted by other officers and both Ortiz and Brown were removed from the vehicle. A search of Ortiz was found to have marijuana on his person. A search of the vehicle located one large plastic packaging with numerous bundles of heroin inside.

A total of **91** bags of heroin were confiscated. Ortiz and Brown were arrested on the following: Ortiz was charged with:

- Speeding in excess of posted limits
- Manufacture delivers or PWID a controlled substance in a Tier 2 quantity with an aggravating factor
- Conspiracy Second degree
- Possession of marijuana with an aggravating factor.

Ortiz was arraigned by JP Court 11 and was released on \$62,000.00 unsecured bond.

Brown was charged with:

- Manufactures delivers or PWID a controlled substance in a Tier 2 quantity with an aggravating factor
- Conspiracy Second degree.

Brown was arraigned by JP Court 11 and was committed to the Howard Young Correctional Facility on default of \$62,000.00 secured bond.

Date of Occurrence: August 23, 2013 @ 0109 hrs.

On August 23, 2013, at approx. 0110 hours, Cpl. Young was conducting stationary speed enforcement in the area of Seneca Road and Kirkwood Highway. Cpl. Young observed a vehicle travelling east bound on Kirkwood Highway at a high rate of speed. Cpl. Young conducted a

vehicle stop and made contact with the operator; Randall A. Eckton. While speaking with the driver Cpl. Young discovered D-1 Eckton had a handgun under the center console. Eckton did not have a permit to carry a concealed weapon.

Cpl. Young conducted a search of the vehicle and located a loaded .40 cal Beretta handgun in an unlocked lock box under the center console. Cpl. Young also located a knife with a seven inch fixed blade concealed in between the cushion of the driver's seat. Eckton was charged with the following:

- Speeding
- Carrying a Concealed Deadly Weapon - Firearm
- Carrying a Concealed Deadly Weapon - Knife

D-1 was released on \$7,001.00 Unsecured Bail.